

REMARKS

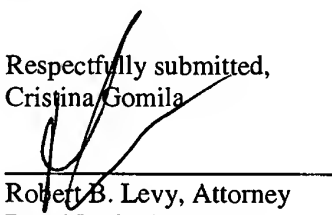
Claims 1-14, originally pending in the application, are now subject to a restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. 121. In particular, the examiner contends that claims 1-3 and 8-10 (Group I) are drawn to enhancement, whereas claims 4-7 and 11-14 (Group II) are drawn to Discrete Cosine Transformation. The examiner contends the claims of Groups I and II are separate and distinct because the separate inventions are drawn to sub-combinations usable as a single combination.

Rather than traverse the examiner's restriction requirement, applicant hereby elects claims 1-3 and 8-10 of Group I and has withdrawn claims 4-7 and 11-14 of Group II.

No fees are believed due with regard to this Amendment. Please charge and fee or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. **07-0832**.

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